

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A client multimedia apparatus comprising a receiver to receive at approximately the same time primary program data and associated secondary program data from a communication channel, a data storage medium and a data processor operable to record the primary program data and the associated secondary program data on the data storage medium,

the data processor further being operable to, subsequent to the storage of the primary program data and its associated secondary program data being complete, provide a user interface for selection of the program data files and retrieve a secondary program data file selected by a viewer for display.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Original) A multimedia apparatus as in claim 1, wherein the secondary program data comprises promotional material selected from the group comprising forms: audio, video, pictures, text and graphics.

4. (Original) A multimedia apparatus as in claim 1, where the primary program data and secondary program data are in the form of MPEG-2 files.

5. (Original) A multimedia apparatus as in claim 1, where the secondary program data is of a lower resolution than that of the primary program data.

6. (Original) A multimedia apparatus as in claim 1 wherein the processor is operable to selectively allow marking of the primary program data for deletion or prolonged keeping upon user input during display of the secondary program data.

7. (Original) A set top box comprising a multimedia apparatus as in claim 1.

8. (Original) A multimedia apparatus as in claim 1 further including a display device to display the primary and secondary data retrieved from the storage medium.

9. (Currently Amended) A client multimedia apparatus comprising a receiver to receive primary program data from a communication channel, a data storage medium, a data processor operable to record primary program data on the storage medium, run a software agent arranged to identify and copy portions of the primary program that have been earmarked and store a copy of said earmarked data as ~~compile~~ an associated secondary program data file, the processor further being operable to, subsequent to both the primary data and its associated secondary data having been stored on the storage medium, provide a user interface for selection of the stored program data files and retrieve a secondary program file selected by a viewer for display.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) A multimedia apparatus as in claim ~~9~~ 10 wherein the software agent is operable to replace at least a portion of audio data in the secondary program data with audio data from tertiary program data received by the receiver from the communication channel.

12. (Original) A multimedia apparatus as in claim 9 wherein the primary program data and secondary program data are in the form of MPEG-2 files.

13. (Original) A multimedia apparatus as in claim 9 wherein the secondary program data is of a lower resolution than that of the primary program data.

14. (Original) A set top box comprising a multimedia apparatus as in claim 9.

15. (Original) A multimedia apparatus as in claim 9 further including a display device to display the primary and secondary data retrieved from the storage medium.

16. (Currently Amended) A method of providing access to program data held in a storage medium within a client multimedia apparatus comprising
receiving at said apparatus at approximately the same time primary program data and associated secondary program data from a communication channel,
storing said primary program data and the associated secondary program data, and
subsequent to both the primary program data and its associated secondary program data being stored, providing a user interface for selection of the stored primary program data file and its associated secondary program data file and in response to a selection by a viewer from said user interface, retrieving said secondary program data selected by a viewer for display.

17. (Original) A method as in claim 16 including receiving the secondary program data in parallel with the primary program content.

18. (Original) A method as in claim 16 where the secondary program data comprises promotional material in one or more of the following forms: audio, video, pictures, text or graphics.

19. (Original) A method as in claim 16 where the primary program data and secondary program data are in the form of MPEG-2 files.

20. (Original) A method as in claim 16 where the secondary program data is of a lower resolution than that of the primary program data.

21. (Currently Amended) A method of providing access to program data held in a storage medium within a client multimedia apparatus comprising receiving at said apparatus primary program data from a communication channel, storing the primary program data on a data storage medium, running a software application so as to identify and copy earmarked portions of the stored primary program data and store a copy of the earmarked portions as ~~compile~~-associated secondary program data ~~from the primary data~~, and

subsequent to both the primary and its associated secondary program data having been stored on the data storage medium, selectively retrieving the secondary program data for display.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently Amended) A method as in claim ~~21~~ ~~22~~—including replacing at least a portion of audio data in the secondary program data with audio data from tertiary program data received by the receiver from the communication channel.

24. (Original) A method as in claim 21 where the secondary program data comprises promotional material in one or more of the following forms: audio, video, pictures, text or graphics.

25. (Original) A method as in claim 21 where the primary program data and secondary program data are in the form of MPEG-2 files.

26. (Original) A method as in claim 21 where the secondary program data is of a lower resolution than that of the primary program data.

27. (Cancelled)

28. (New) A computer-readable medium comprising a computer program for a client multimedia apparatus comprising instructions that when executed by a processor causes the processor to

receive at said apparatus at approximately the same time primary program data and associated secondary program data from a communication channel,

store said primary program data and the associated secondary program data, and

subsequent to both the primary program data and its associated secondary program data being stored, provide a user interface for selection of the stored primary program data file and its

associated secondary program data file and in response to a selection by a viewer from said user interface, retrieve said secondary program data for display.

29. (New) A computer-readable medium comprising a computer program to be run on a client multimedia apparatus comprising instructions that when executed by a processor causes the processor to

receive at said apparatus primary program from a communication channel, store the primary program data on a data storage medium, run a software application so as to identify and copy earmarked portions of the stored primary program data and store a copy of the earmarked portions as associated secondary program data, and

subsequent to both the primary and its associated secondary program data having been stored on the data storage medium, selectively retrieve the secondary program data for display.